THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) The sale price of accessories like hot plates, burner, rubber pipes, etc., is not fixed by the Govt.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Development Activities of ONGC in Amlapuram Area of East Godavari District

1902. SHRI G.M.C. BALAYOGI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Oil and Natural Gas Commission (ONGC) proposed to share the finance in construction of roads, bridges and other developmental activities in Amlapuram area of East Godavari district of Andhra Pradesh where oil drilling operations by the ONGC have been going on;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c) ONGC has considered in principle, to give some loan for the construction of roads and bridges in East Godavari, West Godavari and Krishna districts subject to certain conditions.

[Translation]

Railway Line Between Shahganj and Mau

1903. SHRI RAM BADAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme to lay broad gauge railway line between Shahganj and Mau or to convert the existing line on this route into broad-gauge during the coming years; and

(b) if so, when it is likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Late Running of Indore-Malwa Express

1904. SHRI RAM BADAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of late running of the Indore-Malwa express during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) whether this train gets late between Indore and Bhopal due to halt at Bhopal outer; and

(c) the remedial measures being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) During 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91 Malwa Express reached Indore right time on 272, 261 and 230 days and at New Delhi on 210, 258 and 199 days, respectively.

(b) Sometimes, due to operational reasons.

(c) A drive was launched in July, 1991, and the train reached New Delhi and Indore right time on 27 and 28 days, respectively during this month.

Reservation Facility at Azamgarh Railway Station

1905. SHRI RAM BADAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the reservation facility provided at Azamgarh railway station for various trains has been withdrawn;

(b) if so, whether the Government propose to allot reservation quota for Azamgarh in all the trains starting from Varanasi; and

(c) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?